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Harms, alumna, still missing

By Clarissa Aljentera
DAILY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Jeanine Sanchez Harms isn't the type of person who would flake out or forget to call. She is dependable, friendly and almost never forgets birthdays.

"She always celebrated birthdays or planned parties," said Janice Burnham, a friend of Harms for 28 years. "She was really friendly and young at heart."

Burnham said she often recalls stories of Harms, 42, and is waiting to hear news from her or about her since she was reported missing on July 30. There has been a reward fund of \$15,000 set up for information that could lead to her return.

Harms graduated from San Jose State University with a degree in liberal arts and was last seen at the Rock Bottom Brewery in the Pruneyard Shopping Center in Campbell on July 27.

"It is awful (not knowing)," Burnham said. "You go on trying to pretend it isn't happening."

Reports from the Los Gatos/Monte Sereno police department stated that she met a man at the brewery and they both went back to Harms' home. Maurice Xavier Nasmeh was the last one to see Harms, and he left her home after midnight.

Burnham met up with Harms at Buca di Beppo in Campbell before Harms went to the brewery.

She met up with her date at the brewery where they went to Court's Lounge with a group of people and when they returned to the brewery, she left with another man, according to police reports.

Although it has been eight weeks since Harms vanished, there are no suspects in the case, said Los Gatos/Monte Sereno Sgt. Kerry Harris.

"We are following up on leads and contacting individuals we spoke to initially and we are going back and following it up," Harris said.

It is still being considered a missing persons case, but the police are concerned that

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Kristopher Gainey / DailyStaff

A large billboard stands on top of a florist shop informing passersby of missing San Jose State University alumna Jeanine Harms, who has been missing since July 27.

Safety tips for dating situations

By Clarissa Aljentera
DAILY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Sophomore Kimberly Haley wants her friends to use common sense when they go out on a date.

"Act like you are going to have to tell your parents everything when you come back (from a date)," said Haley, between handing out party fliers in front of the Student Union on Monday.

Chigiy Binell would like to offer students the same advice she would give her friend Jeanine Harms, who has been missing since July 27.

Harms is a San Jose State University alumna, who was last seen at the Rock Bottom Brewery in Campbell.

"If you go off with someone never get in their car

if you don't know them," Binell said. "Let someone know what is going on. If you don't know them, get their phone number."

According to police reports, Harms went home with a man she had met that evening.

Harms lived alone in a duplex on Chirco Ave. in Los Gatos. Friends and family hadn't heard from her the weekend after July 27th and became anxious when she didn't show up for work on Monday.

The night Harms disappeared, she met with Janice Burnham, a longtime friend, for dinner. Harms said she wasn't too excited to go out on her date, but she wasn't the type of person to flake out, Burnham said.

Burnham and Binell said they were both waiting

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Jeanine Harms

Forum to discuss diversity

By Todd Hendry
DAILY STAFF WRITER

An affirmative action forum is slated to be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday in the Engineering building in room 285, which may bring both faculty members and students together.

San Jose State University students will be given the opportunity to learn about the laws concerning affirmative action that they live under, according to Norita Vlach, an associate professor in social work.

Students like Vu Nguyen expressed the importance of having a diverse set of teachers at SJSU.

"I think it's the best, especially for San Jose," he said. "There are so many different groups

who live in San Jose."

Nguyen said that there are a lot of ethnic groups, so why not have a variety.

"Variety will serve the best for the diverse student," Nguyen said.

Having a diverse group of faculty will be the main topic that keynote speaker, Dr. Maria Santos will address. Santos is a lawyer who will discuss the legal aspects and hiring practices of a diverse faculty, Vlach said.

Qualifications are a concern, said Dong Nguyen, a freshman computer science major.

Nguyen said professors should have to be qualified and speak English clearly, because right now he feels there are instructors who don't speak English well.

The forum will feature several panel members to answer questions with regards to affirmative action and clarify questions one might have, Vlach said.

Dong Nguyen said he was unclear about the meaning of affirmative action.

"I don't really understand what (it) means," he said.

Having a more diverse campus could be beneficial for students, Nguyen said.

"If you have more diverse teachers you learn more," he said.

Nguyen also said it is important to learn about the knowledge from different cultures and the way they look at the subject they are teaching.

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Faculty member lunch addresses morale, wages

By Todd Hendry
DAILY STAFF WRITER

There was one specific goal at the California Faculty Association meeting Monday.

"We wanted campus leaders to have a bargaining update directly from the chair of the state-wide bargaining committee," said Patricia Hill, professor in the social science department.

Fifty-four faculty members were in attendance at the luncheon to discuss concerns and to hear John Travis, chair of the statewide bargaining committee, speak to faculty members in the Student Union's Umuhanum room about the status of the proposed

bargaining goals that started last March and the "Teach California SU/Teach-Ins."

The CFA's slogan is "faculty working conditions are student learning conditions," Hill said.

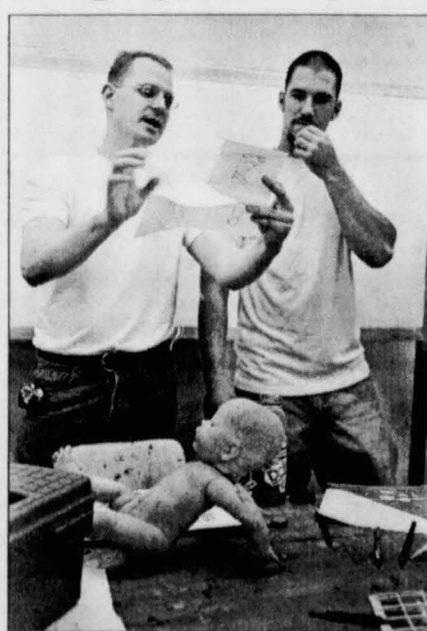
Faculty members expressed concerns about low wages and how the bargaining situation affects students and themselves.

"We're having a hard time retaining quality teaching," Hill said.

"Good faculty members are leaving this campus because morale is low and people can make more money working at community colleges," said Gus

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Bringing the baby to life . . .



Chris Eckert, teacher for the 3D Design Concepts class explains to Justin King, right, how to do an orthographic drawing of a baby doll. Orthographic projection is a way to draw 3-dimensional objects on flat paper using top, side and front aspects of the object.

JaShong King / Daily Staff

Professors and students look to learn from attacks; re-establish world roles

By Kemberly Gong
DAILY STAFF WRITER

Students, faculty and community members gathered in Washington Square Hall, Monday, to discuss the rising tide of issues in the wake of the attacks on New York City and Washington, D.C.

The forum, called "Background for Understanding," was held in building's first-floor lecture hall. It featured conversations about terrorism and war as well as civil liberties, the history and politics of the Middle East, religious violence and ethnic harassment. Five speakers from either student organizations or different departments on campus spoke first about these topics and later took part in a question-and-answer session.

More than 100 students filled the lecture hall and listened as Mitra Rokni, a faculty member

in the sociology department, spoke out about the lack of knowledge of attacks in other countries.

"There is nothing new about what happened last week; the only thing different is that it happened to us," she said.

She went on to say that Americans must look at themselves as well as the actions of the government.

"Look at our role in this world," she said. "We have so much power and so little to say."

This comment drew a round of applause from the audience.

Other speakers at the event included Wiggys Sivertsen, director of counseling services, Mira Zussman of the comparative religious studies department, Carol Mukhopadhyay of the anthropology department, and Mohammed Nadar, a member of the community organization American Muslims for Global Peace and Jus-

tice. A recurring theme in the conversations and questions raised at the forum was America's need to become more aware of its foreign policy and the need to be more sympathetic to the plight of other countries.

Rokni said there have been terrible struggles and refugees coming from East Timor, from Israel and Palestine, yet many Americans remain removed from the situations and don't sympathize with their plights.

Nadar spoke to the audience about the racism faced by some Muslims.

He showed examples of discriminatory e-mail messages the organization has received and the responses members sent back to authors of the letters.

He said by educating the authors of the letters, they

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Viewpoints

Terrorism survivors now face prejudice

I came to the United States with my family in 1989 to escape the war in Afghanistan, which was inflicted by the Soviet Union's invasion. Terrorism was a normal part of daily life back there. I spent most of my childhood in fear of dying when I went to a movie theater, or while out shopping for food with my mother.

People were killed at random by bomb explosions, attacks that lasted for weeks or mines buried on public roads. My family was fortunate to get out before our homes were bombed.

I represent a large community of immigrants who escaped the war and came to the United States to have a better life and a bright future for her children.

I felt blessed and safe here in the Bay Area, which I call my home. But since the devastating events of Sept. 11, I felt a flashback of terror that was all too familiar to me when I lived in Afghanistan. I felt extreme sadness and empathy for all the people who had to go through the horrible outbreak that occurred that day.

But, I was not ready for the discrimination against Middle Easterners, especially against Afghans. Initially, I became angry. But, I later justified the discrimination by blaming it on the American press, the lack of international news and/or the narrowed news that only covers half or part of the story.

I'd like to quote John Engell, my English professor here at San Jose State University, who said something that made so much sense to me.

"One should judge the news only after realizing what perspective that same news gives to a peasant in Afghanistan and an intellectual in France, for example," he said.

By this he means that before one makes a decision about a group of people or an entire race, one should recognize where his or her source of information is coming from and how that source of information is perceived by the different groups of people all around the globe.

I believe that we will fail as a community if we discriminate against the very people that left Afghanistan to escape the war and condemn the Taliban and their inhumane ways they call Islam.

Geety Helena Ahrani
senior
advertising

Aimless dating fated to end in heartache

I have come to the conclusion that college students know very little about dating. I thought for a while it was just me. But I have a number of friends who are as mystified by relationships as I am.

I find this to be ironic because from the time we are young, dating is set up as the pinnacle of a 20-something's experience.

It's fair to say that crushes are easy enough to acquire. But the allusive chemistry on which they are based lacks the stability necessary to maintain a long-term liaison.

All the time, I hear stories about girls and guys jumping into something "serious."

After little more than a few candlelit dinners, people are confessing their true love for one another.

But as fast as sparks fly, they fizzle.

Last week, three of my friends and their boyfriends broke up.

I was amazed that as my girlfriends told their tales of love gone wrong, two of them mentioned that their beaus presented sex-only relationships as a post-breakup option.

I have never known a couple to successfully sustain a friendship

CHRISTINA
LUCAROTTI

CONFESSION

immediately following a breakup, and now people are under the impression that a purely sexual relationship with an ex is a good idea.

Anyway, I think most of us go about dating all wrong.

We don't know how to begin relationships, we don't know how to act in relationships and we don't know when to end relationships.

The first mistake we make is dating without purpose.

Contrary to popular belief, dating is not meant to simply fill time and space. We shouldn't date someone because we are lonely or scared or in need of something to do.

We should date with the intention of finding a future spouse.

Perhaps this sounds crazy, but if we're not dating with the intention of

someday getting married, then why be dating in the first place? Why not be friends instead?

Dating is not a permanent relationship. Dating is a temporary relationship that ends in either a breakup or a marriage.

Friendship, on the other hand, can last a lifetime.

The second way in which we get ourselves in trouble is by launching into a physical relationship.

I tell anyone who asks that if they want to have the best possible relationship with the person they are dating they should not have sex until they are married.

One reason for this is that sex skews one's objectivity and makes it difficult to break up. That's good news for marriages, bad news for dating.

People who are dating need freedom to decide whether a relationship should continue, and it's best not to base that decision on the emotion or attachment that comes with a sexual relationship.

Even kissing is enough to cause confusion.

As soon as two people kiss, they begin to think about each other as more than friends. They begin to look

at each other with a kind of blurred vision, and they begin to share an exclusive bond with each other.

This is not bad. This is just the way it is. And people should be aware of it. The third mistake we make is not saying goodbye soon enough.

We tend to haphazardly get into relationships and then not know how to get out of them.

Instead of looking to our family and friends for emotional support, we start to rely on the people we date. We become unconsciously dependent and begin to ignore blatant signs that the relationship is headed to a dead end.

Although neither person is happy, it is difficult to stop seeing each other. Usually, it isn't until all semblance of trust has been destroyed that we are willing to move on.

Avoiding romantic ruin, however, is easier than one might think.

The first step is realizing that dating isn't everything.

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Letters

Student views ignored by A.S. Board

I am pleased to see the posters for Associated Students asking for student participation. What I don't understand is the opposite message being sent by the A.S. Board. Vice president Akbar Shetty chairs the board meetings, and open forum is the only opportunity for students to address the board before it is adjourned.

At the last board meeting I was one of two students given a limit of three minutes to address the board. Six minutes total out of a two-and-a-half-hour meeting is an insult to the student body. Our fees make-up their \$5,582,016 yearly A.S. budget.

At the same meeting two executive vetoes from the A.S. president, initiated to give students an opportunity for their input on crucial issues, was voted down by

the board. Both issues, the Scheller House/ Computer Lab and the Strategic Plan have had no direct involvement from the student body during their development.

The majority of the board is made up of Spartan Party members.

"We want to ensure your views are heard and your interests are defended," was its party platform in the Spring 2001 voter guide.

The message students are getting now is we should pay up and shut up.

A.S., do you want student involvement or not? Consistency counts.

Steve Cohen
graduate
business and hospitality management
Students for Students representative

Fed up with pacifism — military action a must

For the last week or so, my television has been permanently tuned to CNN.

I was so terrified I would miss something big — another big catastrophe or something equally monumental — that I stayed glued to the dreaded box.

The most interesting thing I saw, by far, was news of people wearing "Bin Laden: Dead or Alive" shirts.

Even funnier were the people shaking their heads, complaining about the brutality of the people calling for bin Laden's death.

As if we could somehow understand a fanatical terrorist and make him see the error of his ways.

People have become so afraid that their anger concerning the Sept. 11 events will be seen as anti-Muslim or anti-Arab or anything-innocent that they have abandoned being angry altogether.

Our parents' Vietnam War pacifism has taken over, and now we're expected to just get over it and heal.

Thousands of people have lost their lives, and all we can do is sit in our houses and refuse to board a plane.

Across the oceans, our enemies are dancing in the streets and vowing to bring death to all Americans, and all we can do is pray that they'll come around and understand us.

I am completely sick of seeing people on news programs wondering why terrorists hate us.

After all, we didn't do anything to the terrorists, the people say.

Talking heads and pundits on news shows make endless conjectures, explaining Al Qaeda's motives and delving into the mindset of disgruntled Afghan militants.

The wondering and trying to understand are not going to work now.

At this point, the decision has already been made. Innocent blood has been shed on American soil, for no reason other than pure hatred and pure evil.

If we were to negotiate with them or surrender, they wouldn't take over our country. They would more likely line us up and kill us all, one by one, until there is no America to destroy.

These are people who execute their opposition and skin them.

These are people who, even though they were given the opportunity to live a better life here for years before the terrorist attacks, still believed that killing innocent Americans was the way to go.

These are people who don't understand much other than suffering, and in their view, the world balance of suffering has been tipped in our favor for too long.



EMILY B.
ZURICH

QUOTH THE RAVEN

It's their objective to be sure the scales are even.

It took a select few of them to kill thousands of us. Unless they are wiped off the face of the earth, we will continue to be vulnerable to those terrorists.

But our instinct tells us that such declarations are unfair. We mustn't go to war, and we mustn't kill more people to seek justice, right?

Wrong. There's nothing bad about protecting ourselves.

The fact that we did nothing to provoke such a brutal act shows that no matter what we do, we will still be at the terrorists' mercy.

Yet we're so much more comfortable begging for peace and protesting an "unjust war."

That's supposed to be the courageous thing to do—to turn the other cheek and be "better" than the terrorists.

It turned out to be the right thing during the Vietnam War era, so it simply must be the thing to do in this occasion.

I can't think of a better time for throwing that rule out the window.

Turning the other cheek may have worked when we were fighting people incapable of organizing attacks on American soil. It's not going to prevent another Sept. 11 from happening.

What's it going to take for Americans to be angry?

We've been confined to our houses, afraid to travel. We've lost hard-earned money in the stock market. People have died.

How much more needs to happen for us to realize that everything we've fought for during the last 200-plus years is in jeopardy?

They have no reason, and they wish us dead. We have at least 6,000 reasons, and yet we hold candlelight vigils and protest further violence.

We should be protesting their government, protesting their injustice.

We should be investing money in our businesses, going out and shopping, and flying cross-country in defiance.

We should be full of anger.

Emily B. Zurich is a Spartan Daily Senior Staff Writer and Copy Editor. "Quoth the Raven" appears Tuesdays.

Sparta Guide

Today

Jewish Student Union and Hillel

Free food. Tuesdays with Gideon, 6:30 p.m. at the Hillel House located at 336 E. William St. We'll have Avner Ever-Zohar discuss and show video clips and "Sexuality in Israeli Film." For more information, call Gideon at 286-6669 ext. 13, e-mail at jsc@hillel.org or visit the Web site www.hillel.org.

School of Art and Design

Lecture series: Santa-Cruz based artist Richard Shaffer will present a slide lecture on his paintings, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Art building, Room 133. For more information, call Jo Hernandez at 924-4328. Student galleries art reception, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in all the galleries in the Art and Industrial Systems buildings. Student galleries art exhibitions, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday in galleries two, three, five, eight and Herbert Sanders in the Art and Industrial Systems buildings. For more information, call John or Nicole at 924-4330.

Library Donations and Sales Unit

Close-out book sale, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Clark Library, Room 408. For more information, call Lucy Yonemura at 924-2705.

Career Center

Job search workshop, 1:30 p.m. in Building F. For more information, call the Career Resource Center at 924-6033.

Department of Nutrition and Food Science

Come check out the latest in body composition testing, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Central Classroom building. Students pay \$5. Staff and faculty members pay \$10. For more information, call Sherry at 206-7599.

M.E.Ch.A.

Raza Day Committee weekly meetings, noon to 1 p.m. in the Chicano Library Resource Center. Chicano Studies mural project, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. You are welcome to take part in the designing process of a mural at

the Chicano Studies department. For more information, call Adriana Garcia at 655-6785.

Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority

Recruitment event, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 373 E. San Fernando St. Movie night and ice cream social. For more information, call 998-7765.

A.S. Campus Recreation

Introduction to photography class, 7:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. in the Almaden room in the Student Union. For more information, call Matt McNamara at 924-6217.

Human Resource Management Association

First meeting, 4:15 p.m. in the Guadalupe room in the Student Union. Make your own ice cream sundae and get scholarship information. For more information, e-mail at sjsuhrma@yahoo.com.

San Jose Peninsula District Dietetics Association

Fall membership meeting, 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Auditorium in the Core building in the Menlo Park VA Medical Center, 795 Willow Rd., Menlo Park.

Catholic Campus Ministry

Daily mass, 12:10 p.m., and Scripture Reflection, 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Chapel. Experience faith sharing around upcoming Sunday Bible readings to be enriched and focused for Sunday Mass. For more information, call Sister Marcia at 938-1610.

Nurses Christian Fellowship

Jesus and a rich man, 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at the Montalvo room in the Student Union. For more information, call Diane Stegmeir at 279-6385.

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School of Art and Design

Student galleries art exhibitions, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday in galleries two, three,

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Jewish Student Union and Hillel

No place to go for the holidays? Then join the JSU and Hillel for Yom Kippur services, 6:30 p.m., and Break the Fast, 7:30 p.m. at the Hillel House located at 336 E. William St. Bring your favorite dish. For more information, call Gideon at 286-6669 ext. 13, e-mail at jsc@hillel.org or visit the Web site www.hillel.org.

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Spring 2002 in Bath, England

Informational meeting, 9:30 a.m. at Dwight Bentel Hall, Room 213. For more information, call Harvey Godliffe at 924-3246.

The Ultimate Culture Shock

A presentation by Peer Health Educators and Counseling Service Interns: College is a subculture full of new choices, opportunities and challenges. The tragedy in Sept. 11 has added to the perplexing array of choices that we are forced to make and issues and dilemmas we need to contemplate. Please join us for a presentation on a variety of topics that include stress management, self-esteem, decision-making and more, 1 p.m. at the Mosaic in the Student Union. For more information, call 924-6255.

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Gay Lesbian Bisexual and Transgendered Alliance (GLBTA)

Weekly club meeting, 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. at the Costanoan room in the Student Union. For more information, e-mail Derrick at stargazer2004@gay.com.

A.S. Campus Recreation

Rock climb weekend pre-trip meeting, 5 p.m. at the Montalvo room in the Student Union. For more information, call Matt McNamara at 924-6217.

Students for Justice

Weekly meeting, 5 p.m. at the Pacheco room in the Student Union. Join Students for Justice as we plot world donations and

progressive campus campaigns. For more information, call Vanessa at 504-9554.

Student Life Center

New officer orientation, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Guadalupe room in the Student Union. For more information, call 924-5950.

Anthropology and Behavioral Science Club

Guest speaker Dennis Burke, fingerprint expert, 3 p.m. in Washington Square Hall, Room 4. For more information, call Erika at 507-8535.

Asian American Christian Fellowship

Large group, 7:30 p.m. at the Pacifica room in the Student Union. For more information, call Alison at 971-4082 or Ann at 807-8233.

Catholic Campus Ministry

Daily mass, 12:10 p.m., and Scripture Reflection, 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Chapel. For more information, call Sister Marcia at 938-1610.

School of Music and Dance

Choreography I showing, 1:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. at the Spartan Complex, Room 219. For more information, call Fred Mathews at 924-5044.

sjspirit.org

Weekly Spiritual Explorers meetings, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Campus Ministry on 10th Street. Want to come out of the closet spiritually? Come for discussion, reflection, meditation, singing, ritual, liturgy and a supportive environment to be the spiritual person you are. All spiritual traditions are welcome. For more information, call chaplain Roger at 605-1687 or visit the Web site sjspirit.org.

Career Center

Dress for Success workshop, 1:30 p.m. at the Engineering building, Room 189, and 5 p.m. in Building F. For more information, call the Career Resource Center at 924-6033.

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Grab a stein and join the polka party

The Oktoberfest hits San Jose with beer, food and music

By Kemberly Gong

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The ambient sound of the German polka-band saturated the still air Saturday night at the Oktoberfest, held at Teske's Germania Restaurant in downtown San Jose.

The band, called The Internationals, was comprised of an

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upright bass, a piano, a tuba and a guitar.

They played an energetic set, interspersing polka music and German beer-drinking songs with American standards that brought people up from their seats to dance in the open space in the middle of the brick courtyard.

Dressed in traditional German costume, including leather shorts, called lederhosen, knee-socks and hats with large feathers, the band sang, yodeled and cajoled the audience into singing along.

Steve McGuinness, one of two Americans in the band, said they have played locally in the Bay Area, as well as internationally, at the Oktoberfest in Munich.

The band also featured Johann Meere, who played the Swiss alpenhorn, which is a very long, curved wooden horn that has a low, deep timbre and is seen being played in Ricola advertisements.

At first glance, Teske's Germania appears to be a small bar with a friendly, local feel.

And it is local and friendly, but it is not as small as it would originally seem.

Between the bar and the few small tables set opposite of it, a narrow aisle leads to a larger, well-lit room with tables gracefully adorned with white tablecloths.

There was also an outside patio where many tables were set end-to-end to create long rows for European-style dining, whereby different parties sat at the same table.

The mood and look of the restaurant was that of a German biergarten.

There were at least 100 other patrons packed tightly at the tables around the courtyard.

Christmas lights were draped from the branches of trees overhead, adding to the festive ambiance within the courtyard.

The camaraderie amongst the crowd was great because everyone felt included in the night's events.

As soon as we took seats at a long table near a big group of beer-swilling partiers, we felt immediately welcomed as they bought us rounds of vodka and introduced us to all of their friends.

This behavior was not limited to our group.

Many people sauntered around during breaks to talk to

The mood and the look of the restaurant was that of a German biergarten.

others or would get up and dance as the band played.

Some may find it strange that the festival called the Oktoberfest, is held during September.

Our waitress, Renata, explained that the festival starts in the middle of September and runs through the end of October.

The Oktoberfest was originally started in Germany as a celebration of the wedding in 1810 of the German Princess Therese to the Bavarian Crown Prince Ludwig.

The festival continued for many days. It later came to celebrate the summer's harvest.

When all the work was done at the end of the summer, the community celebrated and indulged in the fruits of its labor.

The menu at the Oktoberfest was similarly indulgent.

It featured traditional German dishes such as potato pancakes with applesauce or wurst salad — a cold meat salad garnished with celery root for appetizers.

The entrees were equally



Robert Patrician / Special to the Daily

German music band, The Internationals, played music during an Oktoberfest celebration at Teske's Germania Restaurant on Saturday.

authentic and hearty.

However, the fare was not particularly suitable for vegetarians.

Every entrée featured meat as the main fare around which the meal was based.

The Oktoberfest Platte was particularly tempting — boasting five different kinds of sausages with sauerkraut and potato salad.

The restaurant offered Wiener schnitzel and kaese spaetzle (noodles baked with cheese and ham,) among many other authentic dishes.

However, this may not be the ideal outing for the budget-minded student because prices ran high at the festival.

However, if you are looking for a special evening with an authentic taste of Germany, this may be just what you're looking for.

Appetizers started at \$6.50 and the main courses started at \$18.50 per plate and went as high as \$19.95.

The portions however, were quite large and filling.

Our waitress said she was from the Black Forest in Germany and she said the dishes served were very typical of the food she ate in Germany.

In addition to the bountiful food served at the Oktoberfest, the main staple of the night — beer — was served in abundance. Pint glasses and large liter mugs

were mainstays at every table. The bar was serving Spaten beer, the official beer of the Munich Oktoberfest.

The special beer served during this season, aptly named Oktoberfest, was available at the bar. Pints went for \$4.50 and liters were \$7.

The restaurant also served Feigling, a fig-flavored vodka served ice cold and available in individual shots. Each bottle came in a box of 10 for \$35.

It was pricey but well worth it.

The vodka had a light, sweet flavor and did not have the medicinal aftertaste that is characteristic of some flavored vodkas.

It was delicious.

My tablemates explained the logistics of preparing and drinking each shot: The vodka is stored in a freezer and served ice-cold.

Before drinking a shot, everyone knocked the inverted bottles on the tabletop three times to get the vodka to fizz before they knocked them back.

Most of the night proceeded with drinking games, sing-alongs and toasting.

The atmosphere of the Oktoberfest was loud and raucous and we had a wildly good time.

It should not fail in its efforts to supply good food and drink and a great night of entertain-

Swedish singer Johnson creates ambient groove

By Hillary Cargo

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The English translation of "Liebling" can mean favorite, ducky, pet, sweetheart, darling and honey.

From these words, one might assume that Andreas Johnson's "Liebling" might also translate to sappy music.

REVIEW

But before jumping to conclusions about this one, lend an ear: pleasant surprises will unfold.

Released in Europe and Australia last year, this album has finally contributed to America's world of sound this summer.

If you watch HBO's "Sopranos," Andreas Johnson's music might sound familiar.

The disk's first track, "Glorious," has been used in the show's promotions.

This Swedish native grew up around music, with jazz musicians for parents. He was born into a life of performers and inherited the groove.

Combine this with the talent Johnson has for words, and the result is a rather delicious collection of tunes.

This artist's voice bears a striking similarity to U2's frontman, Bono.

Johnson sings with an exasperated breathlessness that makes the CD's sound unique and elegant.

His voice may have an aching quality about it, but it is far from painful.

No need to be a masochist in order to enjoy this one.

An occasional saxophone seductively melts into the

disk's songs

with a gentle

finesse.

Johnson

has orches-

trated a

nice collec-

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throughout

the com-

act disk

by blending

strings (violin,

cello) and

horns (trumpet,

tuba) into

the collection.

On track four, "Please," a

grand piano

contributes

to the smooth

wave of Johnson's

groove.

This is definitely

not Satur-

day-night-rock-the-house

music.

Rather, it would

be best if

served with a

mimosa and

fruit

on Sunday morning — it's easy



Johnson

like that.

Johnson's music can be best described as soft-rock/pop-rock. It's gentle on the ears.

It would be most enjoyed while driving, or if ever in the mood to think about a lover you have a longing for.

If you are in need of some-

thing within your CD collection that you can study to, or listen to while having a candlelit dinner, "Liebling" is worth checking out.

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Courting dreams

By Lisa Butt

DAILY STAFF WRITER

Kinesiology is the study of the motion of the human body.

For Mario Mihalik, kinesiology is his major.

But he's more interested in propelling his 6-foot, 5-and-a-half-inch, 185-lb. body into a San Jose State University basketball jersey.

Tryouts for the men's basketball team begin Oct. 15.

Mihalik said he realizes the tryouts are essential to his aspirations.

"If I don't try out, I won't know if I'll make it," he said.

Mihalik, 17, is a first-semester freshman. He continues to include school and basketball in his life.

Mihalik said he plans to try out for the San Jose State University men's basketball team.

He said he has been playing for eight years, including the four

years he played for Concord High School as a center. He was awarded All League and was the team captain his senior year.

Mihalik said he scored an average of 13 points per game, including three blocks and 10 rebounds.

He said in the mornings he attends his classes and trains for a couple hours at the basketball court in the Event Center before he heads to another class.

In his training, he performs drills he said he did in high school practices, such as quick sprints, where he runs from a short length of the court to another, dribbling the basketball around the court.

He also practices dribbling between his legs and takes a few shots, including free throws.

His training doesn't end there though.

Mihalik said he exercises in the weight room at the Event Center. He also runs up and down the stairs in his residence hall, Moulder Hall, to strengthen his calves.

Mihalik said he hopes to play for a professional basketball team although it doesn't necessarily have to be an NBA team.

"I'd prefer playing in Germany or Italy," he said. "I have family in Germany, and they pay more in Italy."

He added he went to Germany last summer and trained with a

professional expansion team from Essen.

Mihalik said he wants to play forward.

"I'm big and tall and I'm closer to hoop shooting," he said noting he could shoot from 16 feet away from the hoop — about the distance of a free throw.

Mihalik said he feels he will be able to make the team because of his shooting ability and that he's taller than those he knows will be trying out.

Although Mihalik said he feels confident, Ned Pajic, who plays on a night time intramural league with Mihalik, said he feels Mihalik needs improvement.

"He needs to gain weight to play center or forward and he needs to improve on jumping," Pajic said.

Even if he isn't accepted to the SJSU team this season, Mihalik said he would try again next year.

"I'll work hard and get better," he said. "Then when I'm a sophomore, I'll put in more."

Mihalik said he also enjoys practicing karate, which he said helps him with basketball by helping him with coordination, balance and focus, as well as gaining a stronger mentality.

"When I'm playing and I make a mistake, I don't think about it," he said. "I'll do better next time."

Mario Mihalik and Eric Roslosnik practice their dribbling skills Thursday in the San Jose State University Event Center. Mario says he is planning on trying out for the Spartan basketball team in October.

Ben Liebenberg / Daily Staff

Cross country teams place in top 10 at UC Davis meet

DAILY STAFF REPORT

Women's cross country runner Ana Martinez was the top collegiate finisher among 227 runners at the Aggie Open Invitational, but that was only good enough for second place.

Martinez posted a time of 17:54.90 in the 5,000 meter UC Davis cross country course. She finished second to Melanie Cleland of the Adidas Transport Club, who beat Martinez by a little more than five seconds.

Martinez has finished in second place twice this season. The first time she finished second in a meet was on Sept. 8 at the University of San Diego.

The women's team finished in the top five for the second meet in a row with a score of 176. The team finished fourth in the 22-team field. In San Diego, the team tied for first in a nine-team field.

After Martinez, the next closest Spartan was Kim Nebeker, who finished with a time of 19:03.20, good enough for 23rd place. Right behind her was Ashleigh Nebeker, who finished six tenths of a second

SPARTAN RoundUp

behind Nebeker.

Across the line

The SJSU men's cross country team finished seventh in a 25-team field Saturday at UC Davis.

With a team score of 223, Matthew Heard led the Spartans by finishing 34th among 241 runners with a time of 26:32.10 on an 8,000-meter course. Heard finished nearly a minute-and-a-half behind Ryan Miller of UC Davis, who came in with a time of 25:06.

Will Crane finished in 58th place with a time of 27:12.40, and Angel Hernandez finished two spots behind Crane with a time of 27:14.10.

Both the men's and the women's cross country team's next competition is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on Saturday at the Stanford Invitational.

The line in Lyssand

Leave it to Lars Lyssand.

The San Jose State University men's soccer team was practically carried by the midfielder Sunday, as he scored two goals and had an assist in the Spartans' 3-1 victory at UC Santa Barbara.

Lyssand tied the game with his first goal at the 51st minute of play. Ten minutes later, he was given a pass by midfielder Frank Mata and scored the game-winning goal.

Lyssand then assisted on Mata's goal.

Lyssand's efforts helped the Spartans improve to 4-2.

SJSU is scheduled to return to Spartan Stadium on Thursday to host the University of San Francisco. Game time is set for 7:30 p.m.

LaDainian Tomlinson impressing the NFL

IRVING, Texas (AP) — LaDainian Tomlinson was one of the last players in the San Diego Chargers' locker room after a 32-21 win over the Dallas Cowboys.

From the final whistle to nearly an hour after the game Sunday, the former Texas Christian University standout was surrounded by a throng of reporters and friends, all of them clamoring for just a couple of seconds to speak with the Chargers' star rookie.

"I'm not really the type to be in front of the TV," he said as the crowd finally began clearing away from his locker. "I can live without all the spotlight, but I know that it's all of part of my life."

The spotlight followed Tomlinson on Sunday as he rushed for 90 yards on 27 carries in his first road game for the Chargers.

It was a personal homecoming for Tomlinson, who grew up in Waco, Texas and played college ball about 30 miles away. More than 150 family members and friends came to see him play against the Cowboys, who were Tomlinson's favorite team as a child.

"It feels good to come home," he said. "But it's even sweeter when you win."

Tomlinson, the fifth overall pick in this year's NFL draft, followed up his 113-yard debut against Washington on Sept. 9 with another strong performance.

Yards were hard to come by in the first half; Tomlinson ran 22 yards.

But in the second half, Tomlinson began to pound away at the Cowboys' defenders and helped the Chargers control the clock for the rest of the game.

"That's one of my strengths," he said. "I didn't get frustrated because I knew I'd get my

chances. We were killing them with the passing game in the first half."

His strong rushing effort was offset by two fumbles, though. Tomlinson repeatedly mentioned the fumbles after the game, as if to temper his enthusiasm.

"I've never been that type of a ball carrier," he said. "I've got to work more on ball security."

Sunday's game also gave Tomlinson a chance to play in Texas Stadium for the first time and watch his childhood idol, Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith.

"I kind of savored it a little bit

and looked around," he said. "It kind of got me fired up. This is all really special."

Chargers coach Mike Riley was impressed with the way his star rookie handled his return to Texas.

Even Smith, who passed Barry Sanders for second on the NFL's career rushing list on Sunday, took notice of Tomlinson from the other sideline.

"I watched him today and I saw him catch this screen pass at the start of the second quarter," Smith said. "He jetted out so quick, I said, 'He's got some wheels!'"

Schottenheimer now 0-2 with Redskins

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — The Green Bay Packers and Washington Redskins both verified their season openers were no flukes.

Brett Favre threw three touchdown passes, Ryan Longwell kicked three field goals and Ahman Green rushed 25 times for 116 yards as the Packers routed the Redskins 37-0 Monday night.

It was the biggest blowout in the history of Monday Night Football.

And it was Green Bay's first shutout since beating the Raiders 28-0 on Dec. 28, 1993, and Washington's first game without scoring since Dec. 11, 1993, when they

lost 3-0 to the New York Jets.

It was Washington's first road shutout since 1971 and for the first time in franchise history Washington has not scored a touchdown in its first two games.

The game capped the NFL's first weekend of play since it postponed all of Week 2 following the terrorist attacks on Washington, D.C. and New York on Sept. 11.

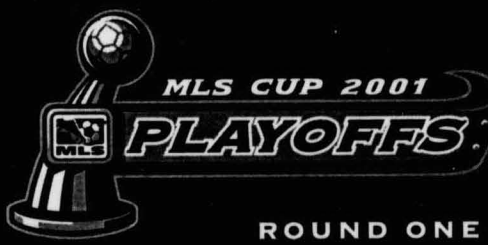
After the long layoff, neither the Packers, who beat Detroit 28-6 on opening weekend, nor the Redskins, who lost to San Diego 30-3, knew if those games were

true gauges or not.


But the Packers dominated from the start behind Favre and Green, the NFL's leading rusher and the first Packers' running back ever to top 100 yards in the season's first two games. Green also caught a team-best six passes for 30 yards.

And Redskins quarterback Jeff George, benched during the loss at San Diego, played even worse, handing Marty Schottenheimer his first 0-2 start in his 15-year NFL coaching career.

George finished 15-of-24 for 102 yards. Favre was 20-of-31 for 236 yards.



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FORUM: Several audience members voiced their concerns

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changed their opinions of what Muslims were like and elicited positive responses from them.

Nadar said the point of showing the e-mails was not to point fingers at any group to imply they are racist, but to show how increasing awareness and education about Islam will bring peace and understanding, not hatred.

"This gives me hope that democracy will exist and stay strong, if we just take the step to get to know each other," he said.

Not all participants in the forum agreed with everything that was said.

Dave Kaufman, a master's student in the linguistics program, said he did not support the viewpoints of those who criticized the American government.

"I'm tired of the negativity that is laid on Americans," Kaufman said. "We're not perfect, but we're too quick to blame ourselves."

He also said he felt sympathy for Muslim students who have been discriminated against in the past few weeks.

"They are taking a lot of blame for people who are ignorant," he said.

Another student, Brian Williams, a graduate student in the environmental studies

department, took a neutral view by raising the issue of whether war is what Americans want.

"Why can't we as a people, put this up to a vote? We should have a voice in what is happening," he said.

Jennifer Rycenga, a faculty member in the comparative religious studies department, coordinated the forum along with in the Institute for Social Justice and the Muslim Students Association.

Rycenga said the goal of the forum was to create as much awareness as possible and said she would like to have more campus and community groups involved in future forums.

"We're looking to invite other groups into the forum to make this as broad as possible, and to get as many different opinions as possible," she said.

She said that future topics to possibly be discussed in the forum would be to educate people on the basics of Islam and develop a sense of religious literacy among students, faculty, staff members and the community.

"When I say religious literacy, I mean we must get to the point where we know something about others' religions and put an end to the ignorance," she said.

After the first five speakers,

the forum was opened up to questions and comments, whereby members of the audience could air their personal views or ask questions to the speakers.

Merle Woo, a faculty member in the women's studies department, said people learned a lot about the American government from this attack.

"What we learned throughout this is how powerful the American government is and what their real objectives are," she said.

Some audience members questioned America's foreign policy and its need for oil.

Carol Christensen, associate dean of the College of Applied Sciences and Arts, said America

used to be a democracy, but the people have lost their power and their voices.

She suggested that Americans should be more aware of the problems the country has created for itself.

"We must take back our democracy, and if it's about oil, it's our fault. We use 60 percent of the world's resources," she said.

Rycenga said another forum is scheduled to be held within two weeks to help educate people and give students, faculty members and the community a place to further discuss the events of the past few weeks.

CFA: The high cost of living drives some instructors away

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Lease, a music instructor.

The high cost of living has caused some teachers to consider other options of teaching than the California State University.

"Lecturers often teach at two or three campuses to make ends meet," said Dr. Elena Dorabji, a political science professor.

The CFA is committed to a California State University that protects academic freedom, supports teaching and professional scholarship, honors professor-student relationships and respects the voice of the faculty, according to a handout.

Some of the bargaining goals of the CFA are to increase percentage of the budget committed to instruction, increase the ration

of tenure-track faculty for full-time equivalent students, close the faculty salary gap, provide non-tenure track faculty with long-term contracts and to strengthen due process.

Travis urged faculty to support the Oct. 16 "Teach-In" encouraging faculty members to put a statement regarding the possibility of job actions in course syllabi, and asking faculty members to distribute petitions supporting the CFA to their students as posted at www.calfac.org.

"The goal is 20,000 signatures," Travis said.

Lease talked about the importance of supporting one another.

"(You've) got to have your troops behind you," Lease said. "If you don't have your troops

behind you forget about it."

"The Teach CSU/Teach-Ins" will be days of action and education to unite faculty, students and campus staff with community and labor leaders and elected officials. They will share information about the issues facing the CSU and about the faculty's fight to preserve the university as a good resource for everyone.

Some faculty members expressed concerns for students to have the opportunity to have more interaction with their teachers and fewer permanent faculty members have less time for students to interact with their professors.

What we want to do is reduce class size and be able to interact more with students, Travis said.

ACTION: Forum scheduled to be held on Wednesday

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Having a diverse group of teachers is also important, Sandy Yap said.

"I think diversity is important, because it brings a lot of information from different cultures together and that's what America is about," Yap said.

Vlach defined affirmative action as an outreach to develop a broader spectrum of faculty from different backgrounds.

"The idea is to open this up about future discussions on affirmative action," Vlach said.

Panel members are slated to include Dona Bertaine, Peter Le, Brad Davis and others.

Environmental studies major E.J. James said he had a question with regards to affirmative action.

"I want more information of why affirmative action needs to be done, and not just because of what the law says," James said.

DATING: Counselors, students suggest being accountable

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to hear from Harms about her date, but she never called. Harms seemed reluctant to meet her date, Burnham said.

"She felt guilty about standing him up," Burnham said. "She had a hard time saying, 'No.'"

Burnham said Harms didn't like sitting home alone and she was a social person who would go out with friends or by herself.

Binell said that Harms' case might draw attention for more women to be cautious and safe when dating.

Kimberly Haley a sociology and behavioral science major, said safety is something to consider when men and women go out with each other.

Going out alone with a stranger isn't something Haley said she would do. And if her friends came as a group they would also leave together.

"We'd have to stay," Haley said. "We wouldn't leave her alone if she didn't know him."

"Go someplace where you'll be

comfortable," Haley said. "Don't go to the movies unless you go as a group and don't go back to their house."

Wiggys Sivertsen, counseling services director, said before students go out they should make preparations.

"Someone in the group should be the designated sober person," Sivertsen said. "They should make sure that everyone gets home."

Sivertsen said if someone goes out alone, they shouldn't get drunk or accept drinks from strangers.

Harms had places that she routinely hung out at on the weekends and she would often call Burnham the next day after a date, Burnham said.

Binell said people should have someone they talk to the next day to check in.

"Make sure you had a friend you called every morning on the weekend," Binell said.

Sivertsen said men should be as conscious as women when it comes to dating.

"Don't put yourself in a situation with someone you don't know," Sivertsen said. "Don't be so macho that you think it can't happen to you. They can be harassed and raped."

Junior Rob Kim said that dating is different for men and women.

"For guys it is not as bad, for girls it is a safety issue," Kim said. "Guys feel they can take care of themselves and girls feel the need to bring someone along just in case."

But Kim said men and women should make sure they get to know their date beforehand.

Sivertsen agreed that communication is important before people go out.

"It is important to talk before you go out and get drunk," Sivertsen said. "You really want to talk about these things."

"Be conscious of your surroundings and don't walk around in obscure places at night," Sivertsen said. "Just because they are nice doesn't mean you are going to be safe with them."

Peace talks between Israel, Palestinians delayed again

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel-Palestinian truce talks sought by the United States were again put off Monday after a Jewish woman was killed in a shooting attack in the West Bank.

Israel also took a step toward sealing itself off from Palestinians militants, closing off a swath of West Bank land, angering Palestinians and drawing U.N. criticism.

The United States wants truce talks to put a lid on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict while it concentrates on building an anti-terror coalition in response to the Sept. 11 attacks in New York and Washington.

But Israel again called off a meeting between Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres after the shooting death of the 28-year-old woman in the northern West Bank.

Secretary of State Colin Powell called Peres on Monday to urge him to meet Arafat, the State Department said in Washington.

The militant Islamic Jihad, which has long opposed any peace moves with Israel, took responsibility for the early morning shooting.

Israel blamed Arafat, charging that he is not enforcing the ceasefire he declared last week. "The

full responsibility for this murderous attack lies with (Arafat's) Palestinian Authority," said Raanan Gissin, spokesman for Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

Sharon has demanded 48 hours without any attacks before he approves the meeting. It was originally set for Sunday, but Sharon called it off at the last minute because of Palestinian mortar attacks in Gaza.

After boycotting Sunday's Cabinet meeting over the cancellation, Peres reluctantly accepted the delay Monday, but observed, "Nothing could save lives or prevent damage like this meeting."

The delay is expected to be for several days. Arafat is due to travel to Damascus, Syria, on Tuesday, a crucial visit marking a possible thaw in two decades of frosty relations with Syria.

Palestinian officials, requesting anonymity, said the meeting could take place after Arafat returns from Damascus, before the Jewish holy day of Yom Kippur begins Wednesday at sundown.

Interviewed on CNN's "Larry King Live" Monday, Peres said "upon his (Arafat's) return from Syria, we shall meet."

Daniel Kurtzer, the U.S. ambassador to Israel, said that when the meeting takes place "very, very soon, it will add some

momentum to the effort to bring the violence down."

Palestinians say preliminary talks produced a plan for a ceasefire, and the Peres-Arafat meeting would put it into effect. Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat charged, "Sharon wants to sabotage the whole process."

Another negotiator, Ahmed Qureia, said the Palestinians offered to meet Monday, but Israel refused.

Meanwhile, Israel made a unilateral move, declaring a strip of West Bank land along the Israeli border a closed military zone.

The strip, stretching southward from the town of Jenin, is about 18 miles long and several miles wide in some places, the military said.

Thousands of Palestinians live in the zone. They will need special passes to enter and leave, and friends and relatives will not be allowed to visit.

The Israelis say the zone is necessary to keep militant attackers out of Israel. Several suicide bombers entered Israel from Jenin.

Arafat called it "dangerous political and military escalation," and West Bank leader Marwan Barghout warned the Israelis, "If you want to achieve peace and security, you have to withdraw from our land."

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